

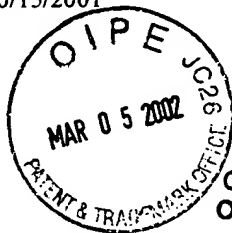


## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231  
www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING/RECEIPT DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER
09/978,122	10/15/2001	Arthur Tritthart	DE 000181

U.S. Philips Corporation  
580 White Plains Road  
Tarrytown, NY 10591



CONFIRMATION NO. 3781

## FORMALITIES LETTER



\*OC000000007081809\*

COPY OF PAPERS  
ORIGINALLY FILED

Date Mailed: 11/16/2001

## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

Customer Service Center

Initial Patent Examination Division (703) 308-1202

PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

03/11/2002 JADD01 00000006 141270 09978122  
01 FC:105 130.00 CH

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Atty. Docket

ARTHUR TRITTHART ET AL

DE 000181

Serial No. 09/978,122

Group Art Unit: 2631

Filed: OCTOBER 15, 2001

Title: METHOD FOR THE SELECTION (PUNCTURING) OF DATA BITS

Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231

ATTENTION: APPLICATION DIVISION

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING  
PARTS OF APPLICATION

Sir:

In response to the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION mailed on November 16, 2001, enclosed is a Declaration, properly signed by the Applicants and referring to the above case by its Serial Number and filing date, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63. Accordingly, the above-identified patent application is now complete.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 14-1270 in the amount of \$130.00 for the surcharge for filing the Declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application, as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e).

Respectfully submitted,

By 

Michael E. Marion, Reg.32,266  
Attorney  
(914) 333-9641

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited this date  
with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to:  
COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

On

By